

Tips for Managing Aggressive Driving Situations:

- Get out of the aggressive driver's way.
- Put your pride in the back seat. Do not challenge the aggressive driver.
- Avoid eye contact. It's considered a challenge.
- *Ignore gestures and refuse to return them.*
- Give other drivers the benefit of the doubt. People make mistakes; not every act is intentionally aggressive.
- Don't block the passing lane. If the car behind you wants to pass, move over.
- Don't tailgate or follow closer than the 2-second rule.
- Allow more time to get to your destination. This reduces stress.
- Resist the temptation to teach another driver "a lesson." The police are responsible for enforcement, not you.
- If an aggressive driver is involved in a crash, stop a safe distance from the crash scene, wait for the police and report the behavior you witnessed.

Avoid challenges or confrontations with aggressive drivers. If you respond to an aggressive driver's actions, you become part of the aggressive driving problem. Tell yourself it's just not worth it. Drive Smart® — Be a Cool Operator.